




Spring 2017 Newsletter

Dear Friend

It doesn't seem possible, but here we are again, just about to commence another huge Tour. A very special one too, as it's our 10th Anniversary this year!

From such humble beginnings when my son bought me Phil's Final Farewell Tour DVD for Christmas in 2006. I spent the next year watching that wonderful show over and over again convincing myself this might be possible, and look at us now. The dream came true.

So many happy memories and hard work, but so worthwhile, especially when we get the reaction we do from audiences up and down the UK.



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“ WAS SUCH AN HONOUR TO WATCH 'AND FINALLY...' ROCKING THE STAGE LAST NIGHT. EVERY MEMBER OF THE BAND IS AWESOME! GO SEE THEM! ”

“ HAD A GREAT TIME AT YOUR SHOW TONIGHT. SO MUCH ENERGY AND TALENT ON THAT STAGE, LOVED IT. I WANT MORE! ”

“ WHAT A FABULOUS NIGHT TONIGHT AT THE OCTAGON, YEOVIL. THE DRUMS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SECOND HALF WERE AMAZING! ”

“ YOU GUYS TOTALLY ROCKED. GREAT SHOW! ”

“ JUST RETURNED FROM A NIGHT OUT AT THE PAVILION TO SEE 'AND FINALLY...'. WHAT A FABULOUS EVENING'S ENTERTAINMENT. ALL THE MUSICIANS WERE AMAZING AND THE OVERALL SOUND WAS FIRST CLASS. ”

“ THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR AN AMAZING SHOW, IT WAS A FANTASTIC NIGHT ”

“ BRILLIANT SHOW AS ALWAYS, JUST THOROUGHLY ENTERTAINING AND CAN'T WAIT TO SEE THEM AGAIN. ”

15th – 18th Sept '16. Yeovil, Brixham, Ilfracombe, Weymouth

This has always been about celebrating the work of Phil, he's a genius and much loved all over the world. We have always tried our hardest to recreate his work as accurately as possible with absolutely no compromises, and it's comforting to know the man himself has recognised our commitment and assiduity. Last year, we sent him one of our DVDs which he watched, and then he wrote to us wishing us all the best ahead of our 2017 tour.

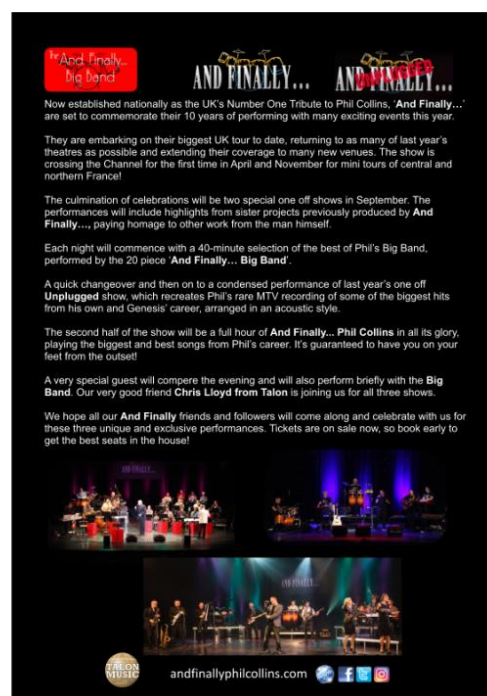
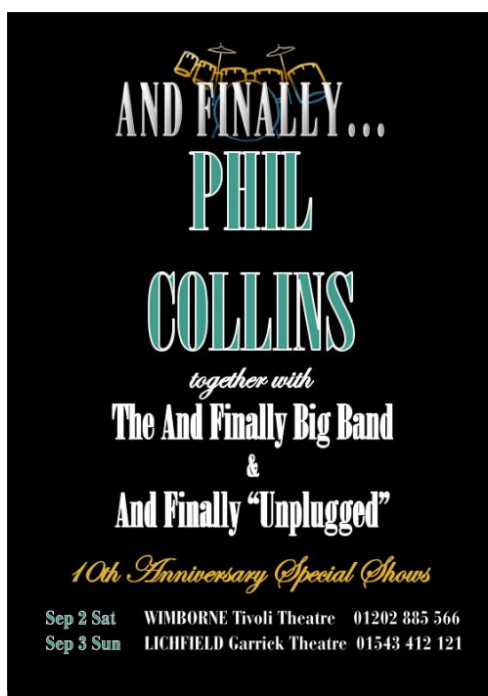
I'm so fortunate to be surrounded by such great people, not only in the band, but working alongside us. They all get it; this is about Phil, not about any individual within And Finally..., and that unselfish attitude contributes to making our time together so enjoyable. I'm sure you see that come across on stage too!

I must make a mention of [Talon Music Ltd](#), who have supported and nurtured this show over the last 7 years. Without their enthusiasm and experience we would not be where we are now. Anni Lloyd's vision last year in designing our re-launch has proved to be remarkable and Chris and Peter's Production guidance made the Tour so successful and really put us at the top of our game. This was born out of winning the National Music Tribute Award again, for the second time in succession. A great honour.

Turning to this year, there is so much to look forward to.

- Our opening night at the home of our show, The Tivoli Theatre in Wimborne, Dorset next Friday. **(10th March, tickets can be bought [by clicking here](#))**
- Our first French Tour in April. Our opening night at La Cigale in Paris (which has sold out already), followed by 2 nights in the Burgundy region. A massive thanks to Jamie Atkins, our good friend from The Great Western in Wolverhampton, for making this happen.
- A return to our home in Wolves at the fantastic Grand Theatre. It was a remarkably wonderful night last year and such an honour to be asked back to perform again on the 16th June. **(Tickets can be bought [by clicking here.](#))**
- A total of just under 70 dates this Tour. Some old friends along with some new venues, we are all very excited to get back out on the road again!
- The show is based upon Phil's Final Farewell Tour of 2004, which is where this show started from, but we have added a few new Genesis tracks which have now become a regular feature each year.

I must mention 2 very important shows on the 2nd and 3rd of September. We are putting together a special 10th Anniversary show, which will feature performances by the 'And Finally... Big Band', our 'And Finally... Unplugged' show and a selection from the main 'And Finally... Phil Collins' show. Three shows on one stage each night at the Tivoli Theatre in Wimborne and the Garrick Theatre in Lichfield.



Download a PDF version of the flyer to remind you of the dates! [Click Here!](#)

We do hope you can all make it to one of the performances. They will never be repeated but we are hoping to film the shows for DVD and Live CD release early 2018. It would be great to have you share these exclusive shows with us.

Two new faces in the Band this year.

Our Guitarist last year, Ray Hatfield, has moved on to be with Showaddywaddy. We will miss him greatly. I personally learnt a lot from the great man and we all benefitted from his vast experience and wicked sense of humour!

Tim Hender, our keyboard player has returned to teaching and conducting after a year out with us rock 'n' rolling. We wish him the very best of luck!

Replacing them are Marco Fresi on guitar, a young and very gifted player from Sardinia, and Kev Armstrong on Keys, a superb musician from Llanelli who has spent many years touring with The Circus of Horrors. Two fantastic musicians who bring so much to the show, you'll love them!



New Stage Set.

I have spent the last few months building a new stage set for this year. Our van is now packed to capacity with additional platforms, but it does help to recreate Phil's original stage set from his 2004 show. Rhea has worked hard designing choreography and schooling the band to perform. I think you'll be impressed, I know I am.

As you all know, Phil is coming back this year to perform short tours (compared to his usual manic tour schedules). We are so pleased he is having another go and that the love of his audience is still there, with shows selling out immediately wherever he's billed to perform. Those of you who have read his Autobiography know he has been quite ill with various complaints over the last few years and most of us would have given up with what he's been through. As always, Phil has to prove he can still do it and I'm sure his shows will astound as they always have.

So here we go! We're looking forward to meeting you all again on the road in this very special year.

Thanks from all of us in And Finally.. for your continued support, we love you!

Tim Harper

Show Producer

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